

VIOLA SELKIRKII IN CONNECTICUT.—Several years ago I collected in the Beaver Dam Swamp in Salisbury, Connecticut, a number of plants of a violet which seemed to me of more delicate growth than the violets to which I was accustomed. These were pressed and forgotten until the past season (spring of 1913) when the finding of the same type of violet in another part of the town brought to mind the earlier collection.

April 27, a party of us walked to the Wolf Den. This is a deep cold gorge, which looks as though water had eaten out the underlying lime stone until the outer shell was so weakened that it caved in from its own weight. Huge blocks of stone are piled in confusion and between them grow trees whose tops fail to tower above the moss hung sides of the gash. In the moss flourish delicate ferns, and flowers which love cool damp places. *Lycopodium lucidulum* grows in great patches; *Polypodium vulgare*, and *Camptosorus rhizophyllus* run riot but I had never known of any plant (except mosses) to grow there which had not been found in many other places. The violets were in full bloom and we gathered a quantity.

On arriving home we found to our delight that we had unknowingly gathered *Viola Selkirkii* Pursh. Not willing to trust our own determination we sent a specimen to Mr. M. L. Fernald who verified it and pronounced the plant the first *V. Selkirkii* Pursh reported from Connecticut. A specimen has been placed in the Gray Herbarium.—ORRA PARKER PHELPS, Canton, New York.

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BERBERIS THUNBERGII NATURALIZED IN NEW HAMPSHIRE.—On October 4th I found Thunberg's Barberry (*Berberis Thunbergii* DC.) growing in the McCoy pasture on the side of Monadnock Mountain, Jaffrey, New Hampshire, at an elevation of about 1400 feet above sea level. It was about two miles from the summer home of Mr. F. H. Gilson, who was one of our party, and about two miles from the hotel called The Ark, they being the nearest habitations. At neither place did I notice plants of Japanese Barberry. It is likely that seed from this plant was brought from some distance by birds, but it is possible, of course, that someone may have planted the seed in this locality, as it is near a path that is occasionally used. The plant I should say was five or six years old, as it had made a growth of 2-3 feet; and the shrub was only scantily fruiting. It was with Huckleberry and other